

Experimental Hadronic Physics at Florida State

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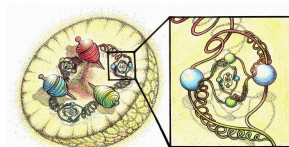
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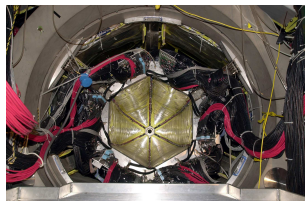
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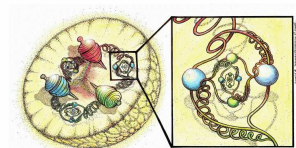
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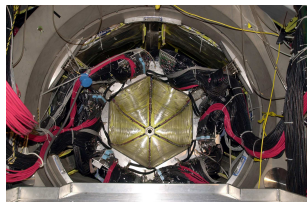
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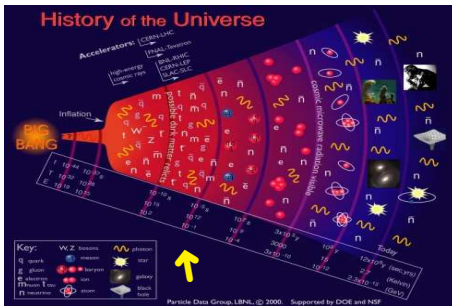
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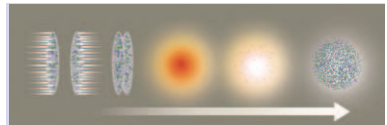


Quark Gluon Plasma

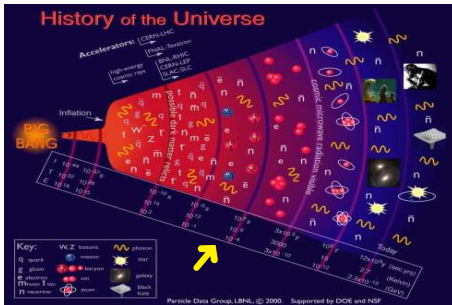


For a period from about 10^{-12} s to 10^{-6} s, the universe contained a plasma of quarks, anti-quarks, and gluons.

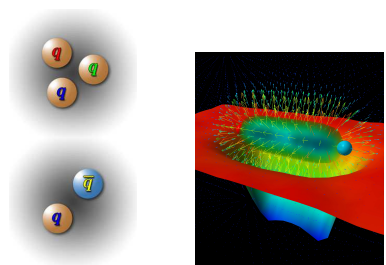
Relativistic Heavy Ion Colliders
are trying to produce this state of
matter in collisions:



Confinement



From about 10^{-6} s on, all quark and anti-quarks became confined inside of hadronic matter. Only protons and neutrons remained after about 1 s.



What is the origin of confinement, describing $\sim 99\%$ of observed matter?

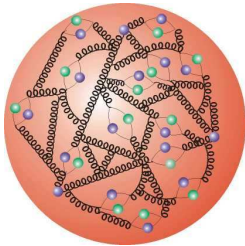
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The inside of the proton at high energies
– a “dense soup” of quarks and gluons.

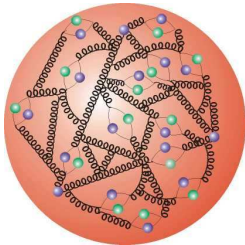
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Good quantitative tests of perturbative QCD are:

- Running QCD coupling
- Scaling violation in (un)polarized DIS
- Jet cross sections in colliders
- Heavy-quark production in colliders

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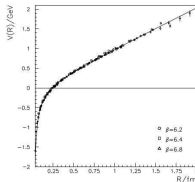
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No free quarks!

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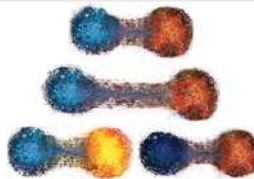
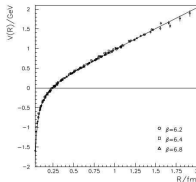
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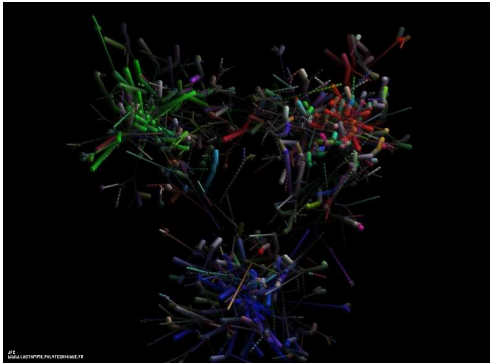
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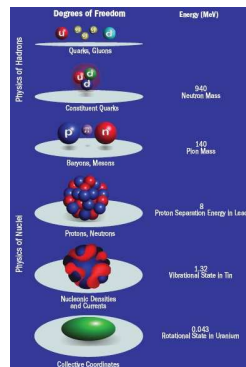
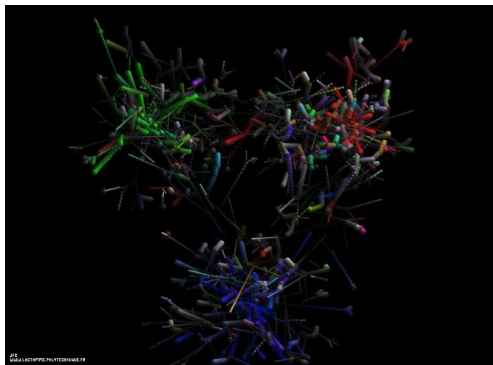
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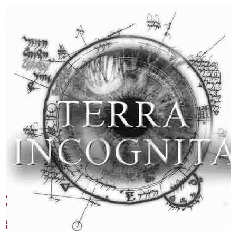
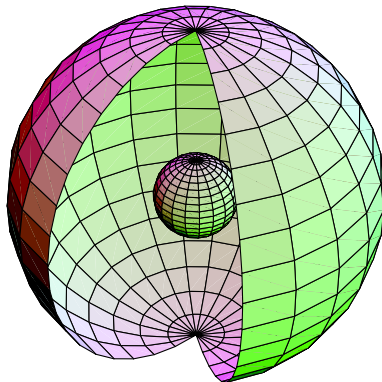
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How does QCD give rise to hadrons?

Interaction between quarks unknown
throughout > 98 % of a hadron's volume

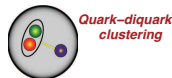
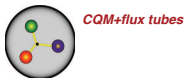
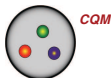


Courtesy of Craig Roberts, Argonne

The Issues with Hadrons

1 The Baryons

What are the fundamental degrees of freedom inside of a proton and a neutron? How do they change with varying quark masses?



2 Mesons

What is the role of glue in a quark-antiquark system and how is this related to the confinement of QCD?

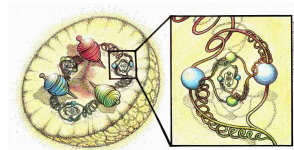
What are the properties of predicted states beyond simple quark-antiquark systems (hybrid mesons, glueballs, ...)?

→ **Need to map out new states:** BES III, COMPASS, Panda@GSI, GlueX@JLab, ...

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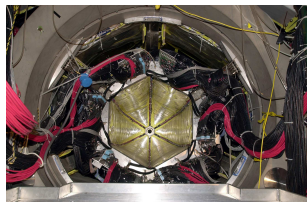
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N Spectrum	11	3	6	2
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→ according to PDG

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Are the states *missing* because our pictures do not capture the correct degrees of freedom?

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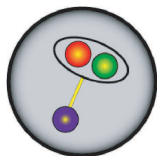
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Possible solutions:

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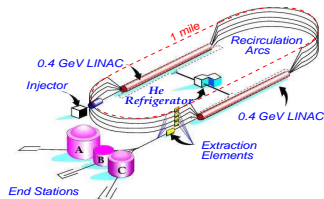
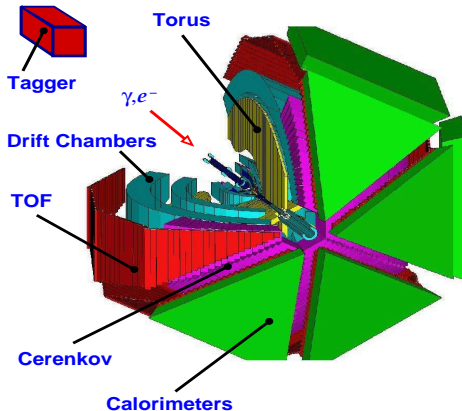
one of the
internal degrees
of freedom
is frozen

2. Have not been observed, yet

Nearly all existing data result from
 πN scattering experiments

→ If the missing resonances did not couple to
 $N\pi$, they would not have been discovered!!

CLAS Spectrometer



CHARACTERISTICS:

Electron Coverage: $\theta : 15-50^\circ$

Hadron Coverage:

$\theta : 15-140^\circ, \phi : 80\% \ 2\pi$

Resolution : $\Delta p/p \sim 1-2\%$
 $\Delta\theta, \Delta\phi \sim 2 \text{ mrad}$

$$\mathcal{L} = 1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_\gamma = 1 \times 10^7 / \text{s}$$

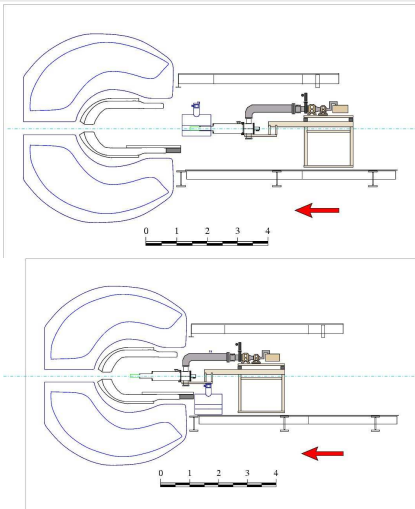
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Polarizing Mode

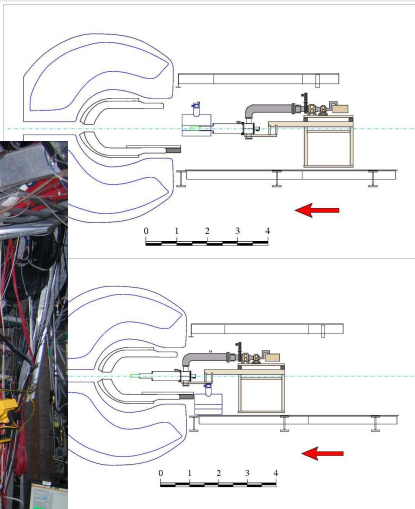
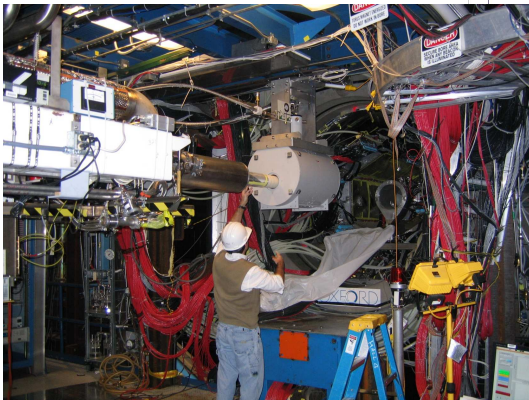
- Microwaves, 5 T magnet ON
- Temperature 0.5 K
- Photon Beam OFF

Frozen-Spin Mode

- Microwaves, 5 T magnet OFF
- 0.5 T holding magnet ON
- Temperature ~ 0.05 K
- Photon Beam ON



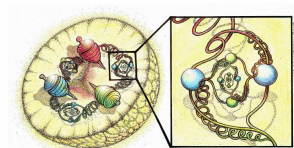
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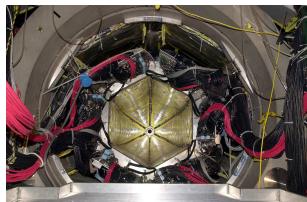
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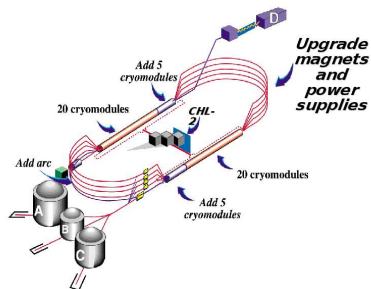
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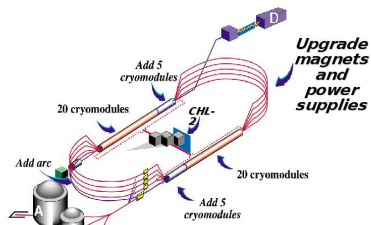
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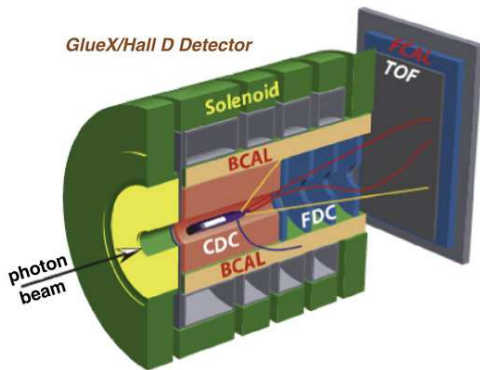
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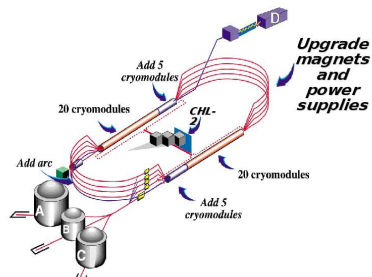
The 12 GeV upgrade is under construction.

- Construction of Hall-D broke ground in April 2009.
- Construction of the GlueX detector has started.
- Current plans call for the first beam in HallD/GlueX in late 2014.

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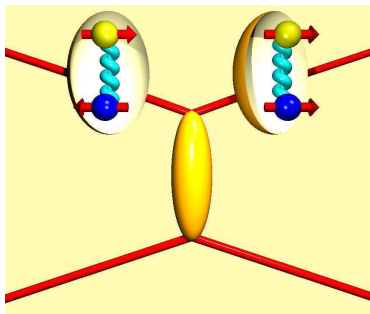
TOF being built at FSU!



GlueX R&D at FSU

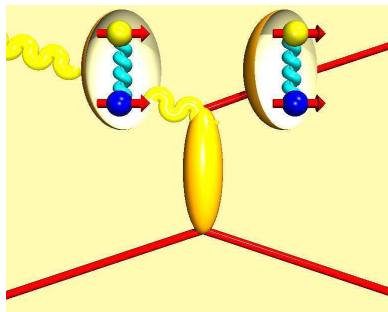


The Advantage of a Photon Beam



Pion Beam

- π with $S = 0$, $L = 0$ and $m = 1$
 $\rightarrow J^{PC} = 1^{++}, 1^{--}$
- Spin flip required for exotic quantum numbers



Photon Beam

- γ with $S = 1$, $L = 0$ and $m = 1$
 $\rightarrow J^{PC} = 0^{-+}, 0^{+-}, 1^{-+}, 1^{+-}, \dots$
- No spin flip needed for exotic QN's

Summary

Very diverse group activities:

- Hardware developments for the GlueX Time-of-Flight detector
- Detector simulations and exploratory partial-wave analysis for GlueX
- **Analysis of CLAS data:**
 - $\gamma p \rightarrow N^* \rightarrow p + X$
 - ➔ Detector reconstruction, simulations, partial-wave analysis, theoretical approaches, ...
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